

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are cancelled. Claim 17 is amended. Claims 17-20 remain in the case. Rejections were cited against claims 1-16. Since claims 1-16 are now cancelled, those rejections will not be discussed. Claims 17-20 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 17 has now been rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of base claim 14 and original claim 17. Claim 17 is now believed to be allowable. Dependant claims 18-20 are dependent on allowable claim 17 and are now believed to be allowable also.

This amendment should place this case in condition for passing to issue. Such action is requested.

If the Examiner feels that prosecution of the present application can be expedited by way of an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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